

# **News Release**

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## Twilight Fun at Flat Branch Park

Thursdays in September will offer fun for all ages in downtown Flat Branch Park! From a movie to live music to a circus to the Commerce Bank Kids Camp, the Columbia Parks and Recreation Department has teamed up with the Convention and Visitors Bureau and *The District* to provide family entertainment during each Twilight Festival. Flat Branch Park is located at 4<sup>th</sup> and Cherry.

September 7—Stream Extravaganza and Commerce Bank Kids Camp (6-8 pm) followed by movie It's an evening of fun, frogs, fishing poles, learning & more for the whole family! "DeeBee the Conservation Clown" will be creating aquatic balloon critters and making flowers magically appear. You'll find out more about the 14 streams that run through your city and the wildlife that depends on those streams. There will be more than 20 fun activities for all ages. Flat Branch Park is an example of urban renewal and stream rehabilitation. Come and see how this former EPA cleanup site was transformed to a beautiful park complete with a meandering stream.

#### Flat Branch Outdoor Cinema Series: *Princess Bride* (PG) at 8:15 pm

Following Stream Extravaganza, stick around for the last movie of the summer! *Princess Bride* is sponsored by Flat Branch Pub & Brewing and U.S. Cellular, and presented by Columbia Parks and Recreation, Columbia Daily Tribune, Convention & Visitors Bureau, and Ragtag Cinema. Cost of admission for the movie is \$3; children 6 and under are free. Bring a lawn chair or blanket.

#### Sept 13 - Flat Branch Circus and Commerce Bank Kids Camp (6-8 pm):

Back by popular demand; if you missed out on the last couple of years, here's your chance to join in on the fun. Enjoy rousing circus music from the Big Top Circus Band, complete with ringmaster. Watch as Ann Gafke's performing dogs play musical chairs, do an agility course and more. You can even get your face painted. Come be a part of the excitement!

### **Sept 20 – Curreykorn and Commerce Bank Kids Camp (6-8 pm):**

Curreykorn is a local family band with lots of talent. The family performs mostly in mid-Missouri at local and regional festivals, contests and community events. Their repertoire includes driving fiddle, mandolin and dobro instrumentals, Missouri jig dancing, high lonesome bluegrass and more. Curreykorn offers an upbeat musical experience combined with a good-natured, wholesome sense of humor.

#### Sept 27 - The Norm Ruebling Band and Commerce Bank Kids Camp (6-8 pm):

Come enjoy one of the greatest local bands in Missouri. Their repertoire consists of blues to classic rock, big band swing to country, and jazz to soul. The band has enjoyed playing with each other for many years, some since they were at MU together in the 70's.